## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Compounds having kappa opioid agonist activity, compositions containing them and method of using them as analgesics and anti-pruritic agents are provided.

The compounds of formulae I, II, III and IV have the structure:

$$X_4$$
 $X_5$ 
 $X_6$ 
 $X_6$ 
 $X_6$ 
 $X_6$ 
 $X_6$ 
 $X_7$ 
 $X_8$ 
 $X_8$ 

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$$X_7$$
  $O$   $Ar$   $Ar$   $NMe$   $R_2$   $R_2$ 

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$$R_4$$
  $R_3$   $R_2$   $R_3$   $R_4$   $R_4$   $R_4$   $R_5$   $R_6$   $R_7$   $R_8$ 

wherein

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 $X, X_4, X_5, X_7, X_9;$ 

 $R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4$ ; and

Y, Z and n are as described in the specification.

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